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LOAN TO FARMERS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of loans provided to the farmers as against the total loan at national level during the last three years;

(b) the number of loan applications received from the farmers during the said period;

(c) the number of applications rejected and reasons therefor; and

(d) the remedial measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) : The outstanding Credit to Agriculture during the last three years of major scheduled commercial banks is as under:-

Year	Gross Bank Credit	Credit to Agriculture	Share of 3 to 2
1	2	3	4
2002-03	6,69,534	73,518	10.9%
2003-04	7,64,383	90,541	11.8%
2004-05	9,72,587	1,22,370	12.6%

(b) & (c) : Commercial banks, Co-operative Banks and Regional Rural Banks keep receiving large number of applications from farmers for loans, on a continuous basis. Some of the applications received from these farmers are not accepted due to various reasons like non-eligibility/ existing defaults/non-compliance with procedure laid down for financing, etc.

(d) : As and when Government receives complaints from farmers on different aspects, including rejection of their loan applications, they are taken up with respective banks/ Reserve Bank of India/NABARD for redressal and remedial action, as per prescribed norms.